

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Request for Continued Examination and the amendments made to the claims presented herein.

In the Advisory Action, dated August 2, 2007, the Examiner maintained the rejection of claims 1, 2, 11, 13, 14 and 16-18 and indicated claims 3-10, 12 and 15 were objected to and that "Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection :35 USC § 103 rejection of claims 3-10 and 12." Although, the Examiner did not explicitly state that the rejection of claim 15 was overcome by the applicant's reply, applicant would note that the Examiner had indicated in the Office Action of February 21, 2007, that claim 15 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In view of the Examiner's indication that the rejection of claims 3-10 and 12, [and applicant believes 15, also], applicant has amended independent claim 1 to recite subject matter stated in claim 15 that is common to all the claims and not disclosed by the prior art of record.


With the amendments made to claim 1, applicant submits that the claims are in a form consistent with the indication of allowable subject matter recited in the Advisory Action of August 2, 2007 and the Office Action of February 21, 2007.

Amendment
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Should the Examiner deem that there are any issues which may be best resolved by telephone, please contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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